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Report Highlights:

Total Mexican cotton production for marketing year (MY) 2010/11 (Aug-Jul) has been adjusted upward to 659,000 bales. Attractive international prices and a revised government coverage program are enticing producers to replant the vast land extensions that have historically been devoted to cotton production. The Mexican Cotton Chamber recently released final figures for MY 2009/10, and the number of bales produced in Mexicali and the La Laguna/Durango-Coahuila regions was down slightly from previous estimates. The MY 2009/10 numbers are final. Meanwhile, cotton imports for MY 2010/11 are forecast to increase to 1.6 million bales.

Executive Summary:

Current international prices for the MY 2010/11 season average U.S. \$0.75 per pound. According to the Confederation of Mexican Cotton Associations (CMCA), these attractive international prices and the government of Mexico's revised coverage program are enticing producers to replant the vast land extensions that have historically been devoted to cotton production. The United States should continue to be the main supplier to Mexico, accounting for practically 100 percent of total cotton imports. Cotton imports are forecast at 1.6 million bales in MY 2010/11 in order to complement domestic production and a steady demand from the Mexican textile industry.

Production, Supply and Demand Data Statistics :

Mexico: Cotton Production by State/Region - MY 2009/10			
Region	Planted Area (Has)	Yield (Bales/Ha)	Production (Bales)
South Sonora	1,700	6.5	11,050
North Sonora	0	0.0	0
Mexicali, BC	19,081	6.37	121,250
Juarez, Chihuahua.	15,065	4.72	71,236
Delicias, Chihuahua.	531	3.87	2,060
Ojinaga-Aldama, Chihuahua.	12,422	5.85	72,716
La Laguna / Durango-Coahuila.	20,013	6.59	132,031
North Tamaulipas	0	0.0	0
TOTAL	68,812	5.96	410,743

Table 2 Mexico: Cotton Production by State/Region - MY 2010/11			
Region	Planted Area (Has)	Yield (Bales/Ha)	Production (Bales)
South Sonora	2,000	6.0	12,000
North Sonora	0	0.0	0
Mexicali, BC	21,500	6.0	129,000
Juarez, Chihuahua.	8,000	5.0	40,000
Delicias, Chihuahua.	32,000	4.5	143,000
Ojinaga-Aldama, Chihuahua.	30,000	5.8	174,000
La Laguna / Durango-Coahuila.	23,000	7.0	161,000
North Tamaulipas	0	0.0	0
TOTAL	116,500	5.65	659,000